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PATENT

Docket No. 3788-7000US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UTILITY APPLICATION AND
APPLICATION FEE TRANSMITTAL (1.53(b))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
BOX PATENT APPLICATIONS
Washington, D.C. 20231



Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Named Inventor(s): Lawrence M. AUSUBELInventor(s) Address: 2920 Garfield Terrace, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008For: ASCENDING BID AUCTION FOR MULTIPLE OBJECTS[X] 18 Page(s) of Specification[X] 1 Page(s) of Abstract[X] 17 Page(s) of Claims[X] 7 Sheet(s) of Drawing
[X] Formal [] Informal[X] 2 Page(s) of Declaration and Power of Attorney

[] Unassigned

[] Newly Executed

[X] Copy from prior application

[] Deletion of inventors including Signed Statement under
37 C.F.R. §1.63(d)(2).

[X] Copy of Revocation

[X] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the
prior application, from which a copy of the combined
declaration and power of attorney is supplied herein, is
considered as being part of the disclosure of the
accompanying application and is incorporated herein by
reference.

- ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
- ☐ ☐ Page(s) of Sequence Listing
- ☐ ☐ Computer readable disk containing Sequence Listing
- ☐ Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) that computer and paper copies of the Sequence Listing are the same
- ☐ Claim for Priority -
- ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- ☐ English translation documents
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return receipt postcard (MPEP 503)
- ☐ Assignment papers (assignment cover sheet and assignment documents)
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$40.00 for recording the Assignment
- ☐ Assignment papers filed in parent application serial no.
- ☐ Certification of chain of title pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b)
- ☒ This is: ☒ Continuation
- ☐ divisional
- ☐ continuation-in-part (C-I-P) of prior application serial no. 08/582,901
- ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-25, 31-42, and 47^{EE} of the parent application before calculating the filing fees. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this Amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
- ☒ The status of the parent application is as follows:
- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time and a Fee therefor has been or is being filed in the parent application to extend the term for action in the parent application until September 2, 1999.
- ☐ A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time in the co-pending parent application is attached.

- ☐ No Petition for Extension of Time and Fee therefor are necessary in the co-pending parent application.
- ☐ Please abandon the parent application at a time while the parent application is pending or at a time when the petition for extension of time in that application is granted and while this application is pending has been granted a filing date, so as to make this application co-pending.
- ☐ Transfer the drawing(s) from the patent application to this application
- ☒ Amend The specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a ☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part of co-pending application Serial No. 08/582,901 filed January 4, 1996.--

CALCULATION OF APPLICATION:

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$380.00
Total Claims:	38-20	18	X 9.00	\$162
Independent Claims:	6- 3	3	X 39.00	\$117
Multiple Dependent Claims:				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Additional fee	\$260.00	\$0.00
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Additional fee		

Total: \$659.00

- ☒ A statement claiming small entity status is attached or has been filed in the above-identified parent application and its benefit under 37 CFR \$1.28(a) is hereby claimed. Reduced fees under 37 C.F.R. \$1.9(f) (50% of total) paid herewith \$_____.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ in payment of the application filings fees is attached.
- ☒ Charge Fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 13-4503. Order

No. 3788-7000US1. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

- [X] The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4503. Order No. 3788-7000 US1.
A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

Respectfully submitted,

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